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HWARANG



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For the warriors of RSO&I

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What's up

NTV redeployment

Sections' redeploying soldiers by Nontactical Vehicles must provide a manifest to the U.S. Army Troop Command-Korea (USATC-K) Administration tent, where a commander's safety packet can be picked-up.

A Safety Risk Assessment Form must be submitted, and all vehicles must be topped off with fuel prior to departure. A closure report must also be submitted no later than 1 hour after arrival at Yongsan.

There is no NTV movement before Mar. 27 at 6 a.m. Exception to this policy requires a memo signed by Lt. Col. Mark D. Troutman. For questions on the exception memo, contact Troop Command.

For more information contact USATC-K Operations at 764-3058.

Augmentees

All augmentees should make sure their flight arrangements are finalized at the LSA as soon as possible.

Redesignation Ceremony for 8th Army CONUS

Story by
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Soldiers of the 8th U.S. Army Continental United States held a redesignation ceremony on March 24 at the Camp Walker football field. The event symbolized the fact that the reservists are no longer considered augmentees but part of the 8th U.S. Army team.

The unit, which has reserve detachments located in Indianapolis, Ind., Columbus, Ohio, and South Field, Mich., was officially converted from the 8th U.S. Army Augmentation CONUS in October of 2002, said Col. William Conway, commander and deputy chief of staff, 8th U.S. Army CONUS. A ceremony was to be held in CONUS, but was delayed due to budget constraints. Those delays worked out for the best though, according to Conway.

"It's more appropriate



Photo by Staff Sgt. Laurence Lang

Formation of 8th U.S. Army Korea and 8th U.S. Army CONUS during the redesignation ceremony.

to do the ceremony here because of the participation by all the components," said Conway.

The ceremony was more than just a change in wording; it was the beginning of a new era according to Lt. Gen. Charles Campbell, commander, 8th U.S. Army.

"We are recognizing a different relationship - an evolving relationship between 8th Army forward deployed and 8th Army CONUS," said Campbell.

"Reservists and active duty soldiers alike will test their mettle should deterrents fall on this peninsula."

The change and the

general's speech also brought forth new expectations for many of the reservists.

"Hopefully, it will make the 8th Army realize that we are one and seamless," said Capt. Jennie McCallum, logistics officer, who has been on 11 of the past 14 exercises here in Korea.

Those years of service offered by the reservists provide what the rotating active duty soldiers need here in Korea, said Campbell, Conway and Maj. Gen. Dennis Klein, chief of staff, 8th U.S. Army.

"Reservists provide the continuity here because of

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The Spirit of "Hwarang"

It's March, and Eighth Army warriors have amassed to show their combat readiness in this year's Reception, Staging, Onward Movement & Integration.

RSO&I is a routine, regularly scheduled mid-spring exercise involving forces from both the Republic of Korea and the United States. It is designed to evaluate and improve combined and joint coordination, procedures, plans and systems necessary for the conduct of contingency operation of Republic of Korea and United States Forces.

RSO&I demonstrates ROK-US interoperability and Combined Forces Command's capability, as well as the commitment to defend Korea.

Fifteen centuries ago, when this part of Korea was known as the Kingdom of Shilla, a group of Shilla warriors called the "Hwarang" demonstrated their battle skills and their nobility in this same area. The Hwarang was a youth organization led by a single "Kook sun," the spiritual leader. Under this leader, the Hwarangs led thousands of "Nangdo" to become a Hwarang. These young, aspiring warriors trained in martial arts and in academics, aspiring to become a Hwarang. A knightly code of conduct resulted from Hwarang-do training, and the Hwarang members visited beautiful places within the Kingdom, engaging in both military and spiritual exercises to cleanse and train their minds and bodies.

It is in the spirit of Hwarang that this newsletter was created to honor the service members and events of this year's RSO&I that demonstrate the spirit of Hwarang.

This newsletter is also available on-line at <http://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/PAO/hwarang3.htm>.

If any of our readers know of any sections or individuals who possess this spirit of courage, intelligence and nobility, let us know by calling 764-3787 / 764-3225 or e-mailing us at kangbys@usfk.korea.army.mil.

Voice of RSO&I

"What's your feeling as the end of the exercise draws near?"



Spc. Denise Simmons

HHC 8th U.S. Army
Motorpool

"My feeling about the exercise is that I'm glad it's almost over. Throughout it all, I learned a lot work in a different section (Billeting). This has been a good experience and an adventure."



Lt. Col. Jose Zellers

HHC 8th U.S. Army
G-1

"With RSO&I drawing to an end, you almost hate to see it. Just when things start clicking and everyone really begins to get into exercise, it's time for it to end. Come on UFL."



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Voice of RSO&I

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"What's your feeling as the end of the exercise draws near?"



Spc. Francisco Cevallos

USATC-K S-2

"At the end of this exercise, I feel proud to be in the Army, because of the learning experience that I gain in this exercise. It has been an exciting experience."



Pfc. Felicia S. Bailey

HHC 8th U.S. Army Supply

"My feelings about the exercise ending are mixed because during my experience here participating I gained a lot of knowledge about RSO&I, being it my first exercise. I know a lot of new soldiers gained a lot from it as well."

their multiple tours," said Klein.

This regular affiliation supports the mission of the 8th Army CONUS, which is to train Army Reserve soldiers to be able to deploy and integrate immediately into the 8th U.S. Army Korean headquarters staff before and upon mobilization. And according to Campbell, the 8th Army is giving one of the best gifts to the world through this training.

"We are a great nation. And we are a great nation because we are a good nation. And we are a good nation because we are a generous nation. And

this nation of ours has endowed upon many, a wondrous gift. It is the gift of freedom and liberty - the gift of free choice..."

"We are standing here today, honing our skills in order to preserve that gift here in South Korea."

The reservists of the 8th Army CONUS contribute such a wide variety of skills on a regular basis, that many were not surprised by the conversion. "It brought their contributions to the forefront," said Klein. "It is recognition that the reserve component has a very big role in the 8th Army."

Calling Home

Using access numbers provided by major U.S. long distance companies could save you money when calling home, depending on your particular service provider. Just call the number and follow instructions.

AT&T.....550-4663

MCI 550.....550-2255

SPRINT.....550-3663



Pre-paid phone cards, which can be used on both DSN and civilian lines, are also available at several locations on post, which average about 10 cents a minute.

Transportation

The shuttle for Camp Henry and Camp George leaves from Camp Walker's Gate #6, near the PX, at the following times:

Morning

12:43#, 1:43#, 2:41#, 7:03*, 7:26*, 7:33, 8:43, 9:46, 10:46, and 11:46 a.m.

Afternoon/Evening

12:46, 1:46, 2:43, 3:46, 4:46, 5:27*, 5:43, 6:07*, 6:43, 7:43, 8:46, 9:43, 10:43, and 11:43 p.m.

(# = Fri, Sat nights only / * = Mon to Fri only)

Taxi service is also available daily. For service call 768-8623.



Weather for Daegu, South Korea

MAR 25



Hi	Low
59 F	43 F
15 C	6 C

MAR 26



Hi	Low
63 F	40 F
17 C	6 C

MAR 27



Hi	Low
58 F	37 F
14 C	2 C



What's up

Curfew

As of March 20, 2003, by order of USFK commander, an off-installation curfew is in effect from 7:30 p.m. until 5 a.m. each day of the week to include weekends and holidays.

During these hours, service members will not be in off-installation unless conducting official business.

Direct travel between a service members' domicile off-installation and his or her place of duty during the curfew is permitted. The service member must be either in their private residence, their place of lodging for the evening or on a military installation.

Reporting Special Operation Forces Activity

If suspicious or SOF activity is observed contact the local Provost Marshall's Office (PMO) as soon as possible. Individuals are advised not to attempt to apprehend or impede any suspicious or SOF personnel. The phone numbers for the PMO Headquarters :

Area I - 730-4418

Area II - 724-4258

Area III - 753-6600

Area IV - 768-7788

Korean Phrase of the Day

-I am happy. / I am sad.

~Ki bbo yo. / Sul po yo

-Where did (someone) go?

~Oh di gat so yo?

-I know. / I don't know.

~Al ah yo. / Mol la yo.

-What?

~Mo ra go yo?

-Let's do it.

~Hap si da.

Airmen forecast the weather for 8th Army

Story by
Pvt. Yoon Jong Pil
8th Army PAO

The affect that weather brings upon missions for war-fighters is essential. The sudden gust of wind in the desert could be a huge factor in the current war with Iraq. In such critical situations, the information that Weather Forecast Team report can help the war-fighters better plan for perfect execution of their mission.

"We monitor the weather basically 24 hours a day, provide input and briefings to impacts they have on land, air and sea operations," said Tech. Sgt. Chris Champion, weather forecaster, 8th U.S. Army. "We also make sure that we bring that information to the attention of the staff."

According to Champion, even though their main job is the same, they tend to do different tasks back in their offices than here. Back in the rear, they often get caught up doing paperwork, but here, they can actually monitor the weather with satellite and tactical gear.

Staff Sgt. Will Bennett, weather forecaster, 8th U.S. Army, said, "I expect to learn how weather operations impact the whole spectrum of Army support throughout the Korean



Photo by Pvt. Yoon, Jong Pil

Tech. Sgt. Chris Champion and Maj. David Beberwyk analyze the picture sent from a satellite.

theater."

According to Maj. David Beberwyk, staff weather officer, 8th U.S. Army, due to the fact that the weather is constantly changing every minute, it is challenging work, even though they do their best and are very good at their jobs.

But with their abilities and the information they receive from the high-tech equipment, they can overcome the challenge and bring out the best results for the people needing the information.

"The exercise has been outstanding as it provided a good opportunity to learn, to train, to practice our skills and put them into practice and show the Army how we can integrate with the operation," Beberwyk said.

Due to the importance and the uniqueness of their mission, the airmen within the weather forecast find it rewarding and take pride that they can play a part in 8th Army's success.